

TRAVELERS' AID DOING MUCH WORK

Its Efforts to Protect Girls Bring
Gratifying Results in
St. Louis.

BRANCHES ALL OVER COUNTRY

More Than 100,000 Pieces of Lit-
erature Sent Out and Wom-
en From All Sections
Are Aiding.

In the report just issued by the officers of the Exposition Travelers' Aid Committee of No. 1728 Locust street some of the things accomplished by that organization are shown. The committee was organized under the auspices of the International Board of Women's and Young Women's Christian associations, and its literature has reached nearly all parts of the world from which persons were expected to come to the fair.

The primary object of the founders of the movement was to offer protection and assistance to young women and girls who would visit St. Louis during the World's Fair period, and who would be unfamiliar with the city, or would be unattended when they arrived here.

Associated with the committee are many of the prominent charitable organizations of the country, both Christian and Jewish. Headquarters were established in New York City and at No. 1728 Locust street, St. Louis. In April an appeal was made for funds, and responses were satisfactory. Miss Helen Gould donated \$1,000.

Mrs. C. R. Springer took charge of the work in St. Louis, and has handled it since its inauguration. That an immense field was open to the workers was evident from the record of the Chicago Fair. A similar organization in Chicago reported 65 of the girls who started to the Exposition had never been heard of afterwards.

The committee sent out 15,000 placards to be posted in railroad stations from which visitors to the fair would depart, calling attention to the committee and offering assistance to women coming to the fair. This brought in a large amount of correspondence, asking for information concerning almost everything connected with the Exposition. To answer these, 100,000 pamphlets were printed, and 3,000 have been sent out. Several other pamphlets and folders were printed, and information was widely scattered by means of the religious journals and daily papers.

A card system was adopted for identification, and 20,000 cards have been distributed. The work done by the committee is well set forth in the reports by the examples cited.

A Danish woman, with a daughter of 17, came from Denmark, attracted by fair prospects. Both were unable to speak English, but had the address of the Y. W. C. A. in the Danish Travelers' Aid Guide. They were seeking employment. Mrs. Coates, the secretary's mother, who is superintendent of the home, sent for a Danish girl whom she knew to act as interpreter. They had a little money, and their new friend took care of them for two nights. In answer to Mrs. Coates' advertisement two places were secured, but very soon the lady who had engaged the mother sent for the daughter, and both are now in the same family.

One girl, sick for more than a week, and one for three days, have been cured for and furnished with necessities without charge. One, who had been lost on the streets, was brought in at 2:30 a. m. by a druggist. Two have been brought in by the police. A good many have been sent by the Travelers' Aid agents. All were in need of just the care the committee offers.

Two girls from Battle Creek, Ia., who had visited the fair, went to the station to take the train for home. They missed the train, having been misinformed as to time of leaving, and found they had also been misinformed as to price of tickets. The Travelers' Aid at the station sent them to the home, where they were kept over until the next day without charge. They had just the price of the tickets, and without care would have been at the mercy of circumstances.

The identification cards have been one of the most useful guides to travelers, all reporting that these cards have secured for the holders every attention and help from strangers, as well as officials all along the route and at the stations, especially the Terminal Station in St. Louis. Frequently young women have come without money, carrying instead a check, which they were distressed to find the bank unwilling to honor without satisfactory identification. Here the identification card has been brought to the rescue.

HOARD SCATTERED, DIES IN SQUALOR

"Subway Shoemaker's" Heart
Broke, Say Neighbors, When
Debtors Wouldn't Pay
Him.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New York, Sept. 10.—Sender Detchman, the "Subway Shoemaker," is dead. His heart broke, the neighbors say, when he could not recover the savings of a lifetime which he had loaned to people living near him. The doctor says "Old Man" Detchman died of lack of fresh air and nourishing food.

For more years than the oldest resident of the neighborhood can recall Sender Detchman had lived, slept, eaten and worked in a tiny cellar beneath the tenement house at No. 212 Division street. A shoemaker of more than usual skill, his strong point was in the resuscitation of old footwear which had seemingly outlived its usefulness.

"He could buy a worn out pair of shoes," said a young man who lived a few doors from the cellar, "for 5 cents, patch 'em up and sell 'em for a dollar." He didn't spend 10 cents a day on food. There was a little cook stove in his workshop, and his cobbler's bench served him for a bed. If he had any relatives they didn't live with him.

"Of course, he saved a lot of money, and in the last few years he began to lend it out for interest. I don't know how much he saved—some say \$2,000, some more and some less. He had the name of being a miser."

"He didn't know anything about business, even if he was a miser, and when he loaned his money out he didn't take no writings from the men he let have it. He didn't even have a witness. He just took the man's word. When he began to try to collect the money he had hard times, and it worried him night and day. Last week a man he had loaned \$50 to failed, and that was the last touch. He couldn't get over it. He almost quit eating, and brooded over his losses all the time."

On Saturday night Leon Silverman, who had known the old man for years, passed the cellar. Through the open door he heard faint calls for help. When he ran down the stairs the cellar was dark, and he could not see a foot before his face. But Detchman had heard his footsteps and feebly asked him for a drink of water. Silverman ran to the street, hunted up a policeman and sent in a call for an ambulance. When the ambulance arrived Detchman was already dead.

Through Tourist Car Service to Cal-

ifornia. Saturday, September 17, the Iron Mountain route will inaugurate through tourist car service to Los Angeles, Cal., leaving St. Louis 8:30 a. m., and each Tuesday and Saturday thereafter. The "True Southern Route," via Texas and San Diego, leaves St. Louis 8:30 a. m., September 18 to October 15. Ticket office, Sixth and Olive streets.

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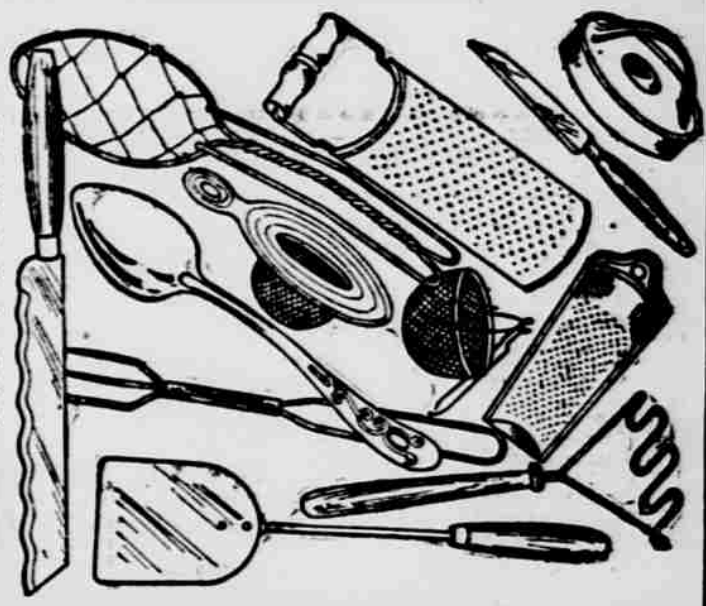


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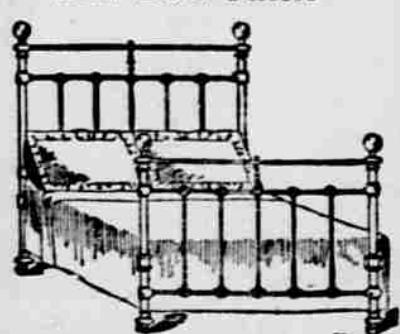
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